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Sir:

In compliance with the provisions of Rules 1.97(b)(1) and 1.98, enclosed herewith is Form PTO-1449 and the references cited thereon. This IDS includes an English translation of an Office Action received in the Japanese patent application corresponding hereto and copies of the prior art cited therein.

Further consideration is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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